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Dear Clair:

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I have just returned from annual leave to find your letter of 16 September 1952 on the possible retention of [REDACTED] by some elements of FEC.

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It is certainly to be hoped that the Army will retain some facilities at [REDACTED] and will allow us to continue occupancy of our [REDACTED] since this would solve so many of our problems. I doubt very much if you will be able to get a firm answer from the Army or from FEC, because I question whether they are actually able to anticipate their moves for more than a few months in advance. You should certainly continue to watch developments there and keep us advised.

Realistically, there is very little we can do about housing from this end. Washington Headquarters of the several Armed Services are extremely reluctant to interfere in housing problems at overseas commands since such interference is considered an infringement of the Command prerogatives of the Theater.

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I have asked [REDACTED] to check in [REDACTED] and to keep watch for any opening which would allow us to request housing support if and when the Post is evacuated. I believe that between you and [REDACTED] more can be accomplished toward securing what we need than could be accomplished by negotiations here.

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I agree that [REDACTED] would be a least desirable alternate site for the [REDACTED] but I also believe it is the only feasible alternative.

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For the next few months we will be making an evaluation of the [REDACTED] which will to a large extent determine whether or not we should continue the [REDACTED] if we are forced to move from [REDACTED]. Needless to say, this evaluation will be strictly on

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the substantive aspects of copy received and is not to be considered in any way a criticism, either favorable or unfavorable, of the performance of you and members of your staff.

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I sincerely hope that [REDACTED] has found acceptable accommodations. Please give him my best regards and tell him not to hesitate to write to me directly if there is anything with which he feels I could assist him. Also please give my kindest regards to the other members of your staff.

Sincerely,

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